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NEED FOR WATER SEEN

Legislature Will Be Asked to
Deal with Problem of Fail-
ing Supply Here

There have been two important recent developments in the water works situation. The prospect of getting a satisfactory bill on the subject before the legislature is bright, according to word from the office of the governor. Also, artesian experts are expressing themselves as practically unanimous in the opinion that the suggestion of A. C. Wheeler, assistant superintendent of public works, that \$50,000 be appropriated for a thorough and comprehensive study of the artesian resources on the island, is an excellent one. C. K. Harrison, of the water resources branch of the U. S. geological survey, is the latest one to express his approval of this plan.

When seen recently Governor Frear stated that he is thoroughly aware of the importance of the water question and of the necessity of legislation upon the subject. He says that the matter is one requiring no little amount of study, but that at the earliest possible opportunity an inclusive bill would be drafted by the attorney general's office and submitted to the legislature. Governor Frear stated that in drawing up such a bill the various reports from the water works authorities, including Little's recommendation that a central electric plant be installed and Assistant Superintendent A. C. Wheeler's request for an appropriation of \$50,000 to get expert opinion upon the subject, would be carefully considered. It is stated upon good authority that the governor has expressed himself as thinking that it would be a good thing to call upon local experts for a comprehensive scheme outlining a policy for conserving the water supply for the next fifty years at least.

Larrison Favels Study
G. K. Harrison, the geological survey's expert on water resources, declared this morning that Wheeler's far-reaching plan of making a thorough study of water conditions on the island is not only a good one, but that the time has come when such a study is absolutely essential to the welfare of the community.

"San Francisco has recently expended at least one hundred thousand dollars," explained Mr. Harrison, "in an investigation of her water supply and Honolulu should take a lesson from such an example. In San Francisco, however, the question of water supply is one of economy only, there is no question of dearth of water, for the city has the entire Sierra Nevada range at her back.

"In Honolulu, on the other hand, the supply is limited and there is no way of getting water here if it is exhausted. From my study of conditions, I am persuaded that, if developed properly and scientifically, the water supply on the island of Oahu is ample for at least a hundred years to come. It is necessary, however, to proceed carefully and to make a thorough study of conditions from every standpoint. Soundings should be made by experts and the amount of the underground supply estimated and the best means for its preservation considered.

The question of forest cover should be gone into, and all other things considered which effect in any way the supply of water. In the question of getting the water to the consumer the most economical way is to follow a comprehensive plan so that the plant installed will not only serve present purposes but will also answer the needs of the future. It is the

'SURPLUSAGE' SAYS SOLON OF THE DICTIONARY FAME

"It is a gross piece of surplussage," stated Senator Judd with emphasis, "and therefore I move that we do not accept the amendment of the house."

Senator Judd made this motion before the senate yesterday, and the "gross piece of surplussage" consisted of two words added to the title of an act which had passed the upper solons.

The brewing trouble between the two houses of the legislature came into audible being then, and the senator spoke out in meeting in such a way that the lower body may think twice before it adds a word or two, be they ever so harmless, to a bill sent from the senate.

A "gross piece of surplussage" was smiled over for a few minutes by the lawmakers who remembered having

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der on Recent Contracts

NOW AUDITOR BICKNELL
HOLDS UP WARRANTS

Asks Legal Opinion from City
Attorney—Hardesty Case
Not Yet Settled

Extensive dealing in public contracts by public officials, in violation of Act 52 of the legislature of 1911, may be uncovered here as the result of the recent disclosures in the case of Supervisor Hardesty.

The Star-Bulletin's publication of the fact that Supervisor Hardesty, a member of the road committee, was employed on a city sidewalk job, led yesterday afternoon to the discovery of a similar and even more direct case of a public official being interested in a public job.

Auditor James Bicknell yesterday afternoon held up two warrants calling for the payment of \$627.50 to Manuel K. Cook of Honolulu. Manuel Cook is chief clerk in the department of public works, and the warrants were drawn to pay him for two coal contracts he had been awarded by the board of supervisors. In other words, Mr. Cook has been dealing in city coal contracts.

Auditor Bicknell referred the matter to the city attorney's office for an opinion as to whether the warrants should be paid.

"In view of the publication of the facts in the Hardesty case and my reading of Act 52 I do not feel like passing these warrants," he said this morning. "The question involved is that of a public official dealing in a city and county contract."

Two Warrants Held up.

The first warrant, No. 3961, calls for the payment of \$187.50 for fifteen tons of coal sold by Cook to the city and charged up to the Ewa road district, the coal being used in steam-rollers on road work here.

The second warrant, No. 3991, calls for the payment of \$440 for forty tons of coal sold by Cook to the city and charged up to the Honolulu road district. This warrant is signed by

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HOUSE BOOSTS BANANA CLAIMS APPROPRIATION

The banana claims bill recently passed by the senate, setting aside \$30,000 for the payment of these claims, was improved upon by the house and police committee in the house, which reported this morning, recommending the amount be raised to \$40,000. The representatives approved the amendment, passed the bill on second reading and it is set for third reading tomorrow.

GOV. FREAR SIGNS TWO MORE NEW BILLS

Governor Frear yesterday signed two more bills passed by the present legislature, thus making them a part of the new statutes. Senate bill No. 57, relating to conveyances of registered land, becomes Act 16. House bill No. 90, which becomes Act 17, authorizes the land commissioner to pay back to the former owners of homesteaded lands the moneys received from the sale or other disposition of those lands.

greatest waste of money to install improvements by patchwork; we should have out campaign for supplying the island with a sufficient supply of water well mapped out before we proceed very far. And Wheeler's plan of getting an appropriation from the legislature for the purpose of getting the advice of local experts on the water situation is the best thing I have heard of in a long time."

changed a word or two in some of the house measures, because of technical or grammatical reasons, which were now evidently being availed by in the way of doctoring a senatorial bill. It has happened in other sessions. One house has caught the other napping, corrected it, and then the trouble began. So the other day when a bill came to the house, which was amendatory of a statute, the representatives discovered that the title failed to state the year of the revised laws of the territory.

"Revenge me," cried ten little tongue bills, which had been touched up in the senate, in the ears of the representatives, and so the latter valiantly tried to.

Thus began the trouble which provoked the words from Senator Judd. Afterwards he withdrew the motion, allowing the amendment to pass, contenting himself with his statement that the correction was needless—and therefore surplussage.

Senator Judd is the solon who fostered the Hawaiian dictionary bill and therefore may be expected to have a strange-hold on erudite terminology.

Solemn Procession As Members Of Legislature Escort Body Of Colleague Through The Streets



Honolulu yesterday witnessed the impressive and unusual spectacle of the entire legislature turning out to pay a last tribute of respect to a late colleague, Senator George C. Hewitt of Hawaii, whose death occurred while the legislature was in session. The above photographs were taken by a Star-Bulletin staff-photographer. The large photo shows President E. A. Knudsen of the senate marching beside the draped hearse.

PUBLIC LEGISLATIVE
HEARINGS TODAY
SENATE: 3 p. m.—Discussion of \$200,000 appropriation for exhibition.
8 p. m.—Workmen's compensation act.
Tomorrow Evening
8 p. m.—Rapid Transit franchise hearing in Hall of Representatives.
HOUSE: 4 p. m.—Discussion of bill to repeal law closing bars and bershops on Sunday.
7 p. m.—Public utilities act.

HILO WHARF TO COST \$400,000 WHEN COMPLETE

Returning from a trip of inspection of the big wharf under construction in Hilo, R. B. Park, assistant to the assistant superintendent of the public works department, stated yesterday morning that the work of the dredging company on the rock fill is progressing satisfactorily and that the fill probably will be completed by about the 1st of May. One hundred and fifty thousand cubic yards of coral rock is being utilized in constructing the mammoth fill.

"Two hundred thousand dollars at least will be needed in an additional appropriation," Park explained, "before the dock is complete in every detail. We are planning to build a permanent structure or shed at a cost of \$144,000, while the necessary end walls, pipes, wires, windows, etc., together with a temporary shed to be built, brings the amount needed up to about \$200,000. At this figure the wharf will cost about \$400,000 when finally built, or about \$1.60 per square foot; which figure, I believe, is very reasonable for a first-class wharf."

When asked about the concrete reinforcement wall, said a few days ago by Harbor Commissioner Wakefield to be necessary to bind the wharf structure to the fill, Park stated that through some blunder in the original making out of the plans such a wall had not been included and that, as a result, the wooden piles of the wharf are not secured to the foundation upon which the wharf rests. "It will be necessary to remedy this defect before the wharf can possibly be satisfactory," Park said, "or a big steam-er some day will walk away with the superstructure."

Commissioner Wakefield estimated that it would cost about \$35,000 to build such a concrete reinforcement wall. Park will make a report in full of the conditions of the Hilo wharf to the board of harbor commissioners tomorrow afternoon.

SHOTS TO FIRE

The effect of the determination to Americanize the Hawaiian Islands has been a steady increase in the wage-rates, consequently in the cost of producing sugar.



JOYRIDERS TALKED OVER VICTIM'S FATE

Member of 'Death-Party' in the
Auto Turns State's Evidence
and Tells Story

KNOW THEY HAD RUN
DOWN THE JAPANESE

Then Discussed Dumping of In-
jured Man in Atkinson Park.
'Mum's the Word'

The possible fate of Seisuke Mihara, a Japanese, run down by a party of five youths in a car driven by Fred McCarty, was deliberately discussed while the joy riders sped through the city streets prior to depositing the unconscious body of the maimed and helpless Japanese in the desolate and deserted Atkinson Park in the lower part of the city.

Such was the admission coming from C. L. Asselyn, a member of the quintette who has turned state's evidence in the case wherein McCarty, Wessel, Machado, Gini and himself were involved upon a charge of conspiracy.

His story is as follows: "We had been visiting in Iwilei, when, about 9 o'clock that evening, with McCarty at the wheel, the car started for town, following a route along the Iwilei road to its intersection with King street.

"Here we stopped and made the discovery that a Japanese was lying in the roadway, some five feet behind and a little to the left of the car. Taking it for granted that we had run down the Japanese we gathered him up and placed him in the car."

Didn't Think It Was Serious.
The route followed by the party was pretty accurately traced by Asselyn, who told a story of the accident to the Japanese, that sent the sufferer to the hospital where for some time it was thought that he would not recover.

Attorneys Straus and Atkinson, representing Machado, Gini and Wessel, engaged in several lively fights with Prosecuting Attorney Brown, who finally drew from Asselyn a series of important admissions.

With McCarty on the front seat and

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ADMIRAL COWLES GETS ORDERS

Admiral Cowles, whose orders for the transfer of command of the Honolulu naval station to Admiral Moore, were temporarily suspended some weeks ago, yesterday received a cable directing him to proceed to San Francisco, there to assume command of the Pacific fleet at a later date.

The present plan of the commandant is to transfer the command to Admiral Moore at 9 o'clock on the morning of the 24th, Monday, and to sail for the coast on the Manchuria the following day. The change of the naval command here will be marked by the ceremonies prescribed in the regulations, which include a salute of thirteen guns to Admiral Cowles' flag as it comes down, and of the same

number of guns to Admiral Moore's two-starred blue bunting as it is hoisted.

By the original orders Admiral Cowles was to have left here a month ago, but presumably owing to the Mexican situation, the orders were temporarily suspended, and for some weeks past there has been no definite date set for the change.

Party to Harbor.
Admiral Cowles has invited a large number of prominent people, among them many civil officials, to be his guests on a trip to Pearl Harbor tomorrow afternoon. The navy tug Navajo will be used to carry the party, which will embark from the navy dock at 2 p. m. About 70 have received invitations.

COMMUNITY AROUSED, WORK FOR SUGAR TAKES SHAPE RAPIDLY

Exchanges of views between the members and coadjutors formed the feature of today's meeting of the Sugar Protection Committee. Among the visitors, Collector of Internal Revenue Cottrill made a hit. Coming in for instruction, he gave expression to an argument against free sugar which the committee instantly commandeered for ammunition.

With George R. Carter, chairman, there were present Committeemen W. H. Babbitt (secretary), J. P. Cooke, F. L. Waldron, Ed. Towse and E. A. Berndt, and of coadjutors Gilbert J. Waller, W. R. Farrington, Clem K. Quinn, W. H. McInerney, T. E. Wall, C. A. Cottrill and James A. Wilder.

Chairman Carter stated before the opening that he had written to a certain influential personage in Arizona, requesting him to get busy at once in behalf of Hawaii. After calling the meeting to order he repeated the usual information regarding the methods of campaigning for the benefit of the visitors.

Mr. Farrington reported progress in the work of the states' general subcommittee, giving a list of states so far as covered by volunteering correspondents. He asked for the opinion of the committee on the advisability of holding a meeting of such correspondents. Mr. Carter thought the idea a good one. It was arranged to have them come in at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. A number of names suggested by different ones present were added to the list.

Mr. Towse advocated extending the

campaign to include the mainland country press.

Mr. Carter feared they were making the work too expensive—"biting off more than they could chew."

Mr. Cooke and Mr. Babbitt gave assurances that the sugar press bureau was effectually covering the country now.

Mr. Towse explained he meant personal letters by residents to papers in towns where they were well acquainted.

Mr. Carter agreed that this would be useful.

Mr. Farrington urged that such letters should have individuality, not being merely copies of printed matter.

Mr. Carter presented a suggestion that information be obtained and sent out relative to rebates on canned

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PUBLIC UTILITIES
HEARING TONIGHT

Every member of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce is up-
tently requested to be present at the public hearing of the Public Utilities Bill to be held this evening at 7 p. m. at the Legislative Hall. This is a subject of vital interest to every member of the chamber. (Signed)
F. C. ATHERTON, V. P.
H. P. WOOD, Secretary.

TURKEY IS VICTOR IN BATTLE

Constantinople Wild with En-
thusiasm Over News of 24-
Hour Engagement

(Associated Press Cable)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, March 19.—Amid wild enthusiasm, Turkey is officially claiming victory in a great twenty-four hour battle that has occupied the entire lines at Tehtaltja. It is declared that the Turks have repulsed the Allies with severe losses. According to the official report given out here, the Ottomans drove the Bulgarians back to their trenches and then captured the heights hitherto occupied by the invaders. Losses were heavy on both sides.

GEORGE ASSASSINATED FOR CLOSING SCHOOL RUN BY ANARCHIST

(Associated Press Cable)

SALONIKI, Turkey, March 10.—It was learned today that the king was assassinated because he had ordered closed the school conducted by Alexander Schiras, one of the assassins. At this school, it is claimed, anarchistic doctrines have been taught.

PRINCE CONSTANTINE GOES TO SALONIKI

(Associated Press Cable)

JANINA, Turkey, March 18.—Prince Constantine of Greece, who has been with the Greek forces here, is grief-stricken at the assassination of King George yesterday. He has gone to Saloniki to take charge of the body. The body, it is reported, has been embalmed and taken to the palace.

TO QUIT VOLO

VOLO, Turkey, March 18.—It is intended to abdicate this place when peace is agreed upon.

SAY GOT MILLION FROM THE BANKS

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 19.—Antonio Musica, of New York, and his three sons have been arrested here charged with defrauding American and European banks of approximately a million dollars.

PUBLIC MEETING IS CALLED ON R. T. FRANCHISE

Senator Cecil Brown of the judiciary committee, to which has been assigned the two measures introduced for the extension of the franchise of the Rapid Transit & Land Company, announced this morning that a public meeting will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the consideration of the measures.

Because of the large amount of interest manifested in the bills, it has been arranged to have this meeting in the larger place than in the senate chamber, as suggested by the Star-Bulletin, and therefore the throne-room, now known as the assembly-room of the representatives, has been decided on.

It is at this meeting that the debate between Gov. Frear, who is the author of the second measure introduced, and L. Tenney Peck is expected, as both have announced their willingness to appear at a public hearing and urge the measure which they stand sponsor for.

The decision to call the meeting at this time was not made until a hasty conference by the members of the committee, though it was stated by them on their return from Hilo that in all probability one would be called soon.

The question of closing the shops for Good Friday was settled by the Merchants' Association by referring to the old agreement of 1909 under which only the following dates are observed as closed: Jan. 1st, Feb. 22nd, May 30th, June 11th, July 4th, Labor Day, Regatta Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas.

It's awfully hard for a girl to get used to a stepfather.

Poets are born, but not all of them are paid.